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Identical letters dated 25 March 2014 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, I should to convey to you the following information:

The competent Syrian authorities intercepted a wireless communication between two terrorists in the Jawbar area of Damascus governorate. In that communication, one of the terrorists said that another terrorist named Abu Nadir was covertly distributing gas masks. The authorities also intercepted another communication between two other terrorists, one of whom is named Abu Jihad. In that communication, Abu Jihad indicates that toxic gas will be used and asked those who are working with him to supply protective masks.

This information, along with the information previously presented by the Syrian Government in letters to the Secretary-General, successive Presidents of the Security Council and the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004), the most recent of which was issued as document S/2014/195, confirms that armed terrorist groups are preparing to use toxic gas in Jawbar quarter and other areas, in order to accuse the Syrian Government of having committed such an act of terrorism.

I should be grateful if the present letter could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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